

In the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently amended) A cover material adapted to be attached to skin in a manner covering over the entirety of a patch, comprising a support layer and a pressure-sensitive adhesive layer provided on one side of the support layer,

wherein said patch comprises a support film with a thickness of 12-30 μm and a drug-containing layer for contacting with the skin, said drug-containing layer being provided on one side of the support film,

wherein said cover material is adapted to be attached to said support film and a region of the skin around said patch in such a manner that said pressure-sensitive adhesive layer contacts with the edges of said drug-containing layer, and

wherein said pressure-sensitive adhesive layer comprises a pressure-sensitive adhesive obtained by polymerizing a first and a second monomer, the first monomer being selected from the group consisting of vinyl acetate and N-vinyl-2-pyrrolidone and the second monomer being a (meth)acrylic acid alkyl ester with a C8 alkyl group, and

wherein said drug-containing layer comprises acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive and styrene-isoprene-styrene block copolymer, and said pressure-sensitive adhesive layer of the cover material and said drug-containing layer are configured such that a drug contained in said drug-containing layer does not migrate into said pressure-sensitive adhesive layer.

2. (Previously presented) The cover material according to claim 1, wherein said drug is pergolide mesylate.

3. (Previously presented) The cover material according to claim 1, wherein said support layer comprises a foamed polymer.

4. (Previously presented) The cover material according to claim 1, wherein said pressure-sensitive adhesive layer comprises a plasticizer.

5. (Currently amended) A patch with cover material, comprising:

a cover material comprising a support layer and a pressure-sensitive adhesive layer provided on one side of the support layer, and

a patch comprising a support film with a thickness of 12-30 μm and a drug-containing layer provided on one side of the support film,

wherein the cover material and the patch are attached, with the other surface of said support film being in contact with said pressure-sensitive adhesive layer in such a manner that said pressure-sensitive adhesive layer remains around the periphery of said patch, and with said pressure-sensitive adhesive layer being in contact with the drug-containing layer exposed at the sides of said patch, and

wherein said pressure-sensitive adhesive layer comprises a pressure-sensitive adhesive obtained by polymerizing a first and a second monomer, the first monomer being selected from the group consisting of vinyl acetate and N-vinyl-2-pyrrolidone and the second monomer being a (meth)acrylic acid alkyl ester with a C8 alkyl group, and

wherein said drug-containing layer comprises acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive and styrene-isoprene-styrene block copolymer, and said pressure-sensitive adhesive layer of the cover material and said drug-containing layer are configured such that a drug contained in said drug-containing layer does not migrate into said pressure-sensitive adhesive layer.

6. (Previously presented) The patch with cover material according to claim 5, wherein said support film is a polyethylene terephthalate film having a thickness of 12-30 μm .

7. (Previously presented) The patch with cover material according to claim 5, wherein said drug is pergolide mesylate.

8. (Previously presented) The patch with cover material according to claim 5, wherein said support layer comprises a foamed polymer.

9. (Previously presented) The patch with cover material according to claim 5, wherein said pressure-sensitive adhesive layer comprises a plasticizer.

10. (Previously presented) The patch with cover material according to claim 5, further comprising a release liner that covers said pressure-sensitive adhesive layer and said drug-containing layer.

11. (Previously presented) The cover material according to claim 1, wherein said pressure-sensitive adhesive further comprises at least one co-polymerizing monomer selected from the group consisting of hydroxyethyl (meth)acrylate, (meth)acrylic acid, (meth)acrylic acid alkyl esters with C1-7 alkyl groups, and (meth)acrylic acid alkyl esters with C9-12 alkyl groups.

12. (Previously presented) The cover material according to claim 1, wherein in said pressure-sensitive adhesive, the first monomer is present in an amount of about 15-35% by weight and the second monomer is present in an amount of about 60-80% by weight.

13. (Previously presented) The cover material according to claim 11, wherein in said pressure-sensitive adhesive, the co-polymerizing monomer is present in an amount of up to about 25% by weight.

14. (Previously presented) The patch with cover material according to claim 5, wherein said pressure-sensitive adhesive further comprises at least one co-polymerizing monomer selected from the group consisting of hydroxyethyl (meth)acrylate, (meth)acrylic acid, and (meth) acrylic acid alkyl esters with C1-7 alkyl groups, and (meth)acrylic acid alkyl esters with C9-12 alkyl groups.

15. (Previously presented) The patch with cover material according to claim 5, wherein in said pressure-sensitive adhesive, the first monomer is present in an amount of about 15-35% by weight and the second monomer is present in an amount of about 60-80% by weight.

16. (Previously presented) The patch with cover material according to claim 14, wherein in said pressure-sensitive adhesive, the co-polymerizing monomer is present in an amount of up to about 25% by weight.